THE WOODWARD SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

2020

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Class of 2020

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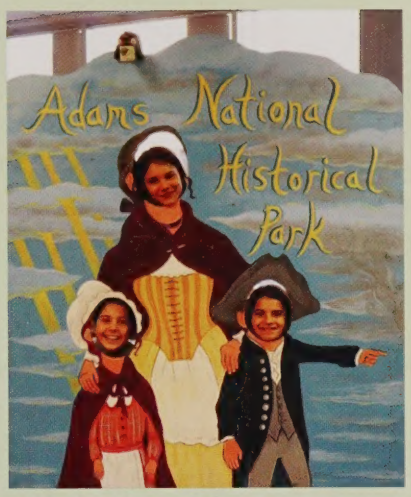
We are Woodward


Adams National
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Happy
Galentine's day
from The
Woodward
School!

THE WOODWARD SCHOOL
1894

Dear Woodward Class of 2020,

I am honored and delighted to write this letter to all of you as the amazing Senior Class of 2020. You have been an extraordinary class. I want to capture your "amazing quality" and memorialize it forever in your yearbook!

First, you are the 125th graduating class of Woodward. This is an amazing milestone for Woodward, and you are the class who marks this important event. Your graduation is defined by the noun, quasquicentennial; meaning a celebration to mark a 125th anniversary. It's been on the sandwich board on second floor at ENC so I will trust you have memorized this word and its meaning and know that you are connected to it forever. (It will be used at Graduation so be ready and knowing as a Woodward Girl is!)

Every Senior Year is hoped to be the "best year". What does best mean? I suppose it is unique for each Senior Class.

We know that the Senior Year is the busiest and hardest year ever... the college process dominates throughout the year, from Senior essay to applications, to references, to merit and financial aid...and then the long-awaited acceptance letters – Early Action, Early Decision, and Regular. When all that is accomplished and achieved, then it's final decision time when there is a myriad of questions; Where should I go? What is the best place for me? How do I know? Am I making the right decision? This is not easy, and it's not supposed to be. It is the discomfort zone of growing and learning. We all know that decisions will be made, they will be the right ones for you, and you will move on to new places, challenges and opportunities. As we know from our friend Dr. Seuss who visits so many graduations: "Oh, the places you will go!". New things are happening, you're on your way up. You will be seeing great sights and doing great things. It's truly a very exciting time for you and for us!

But first we must memorialize you as the Class of 2020. You stand out as the "class with the most resilience, leadership, and wonderful positive attitude". These are important life skills that will serve you well in your future, but they were just what was needed in your senior year. We will remember that you never let us down! You kept us all moving forward and believing we would eventually get back to Big Blue, 1102 Hancock Street! Through your spirit, you showed us that it's not the building that makes Woodward, it's the students, the teachers, the community as we work together. You carried the flag of Woodward every day, through the ups and downs.

At an All School Assembly, you gave us a very important message, the Woodward flag is about ***Respect*** in all ways, and you, as the Seniors, knew more than any of us about Woodward Respect. You told us. And we heard you! You led us forward. You kept the spirit of Woodward alive and you further defined "The Woodward Girl". When we were down about not being at 1102, you caused us to rise, and to rise high in the spirit of Respect as our duty as a Woodward Girl. Yes, it's in our mission. G.I.R.L.S.: Generosity, Independence, Respect, Leadership and Service.

You reminded us what it means to be a Woodward Girl; that no matter what gets in the way, we must stand tall and be respectful, not sometimes, but always. You showed us on what respect means and looks like:

- be respectful to each other always, and to everyone,
- be respectful to our teachers even when we don't agree
- be respectful to people coming into our school,
- be respectful of everyone's belongings, and work,
- be respectful in how we dress, show our respect to Woodward (dress code),
- be respectful in how we speak, show what Woodward stands for, it is important to respect everyone. We have much freedom to express ourselves, let's do it with respect.

You also reminded us that Woodward is a tight knit community, a family. That is why it is important to respect everyone. We have much freedom to express ourselves, let's do it with respect. Thank you for this important learning for all of us and we will take it forward in our lives.

I will always remember you, the 125th Class, Woodward 2020, as the class who was bold enough to lead by example, to remind us of the values and characteristics of a Woodward Girl. And it's not about the building, it's about who we are! You reminded us to always be at our best, and to make Woodward the best it can be! What a powerful message you leave. We promise to work diligently to meet this standard.

You each are precious to us. Promise to take good care of yourselves, to develop your passions, to always do your best, and to stay in touch. We are here for you forever, and we want to hear from you. We want to follow your progress in college and beyond. We are always here to help you make decisions or talk through decisions. We are here for you.

We want to know that Woodward was the best place for you to learn and grow!
Thank you to the Class of 2020!

Best of Luck,

Ms. Renee

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Administrators and Faculty

Renee DuChainey-Farkes

Carol Andrews

Debra Alpert

Bob Giordano

Jaime Gordon

Linda Harding

Katelyn Hegarty

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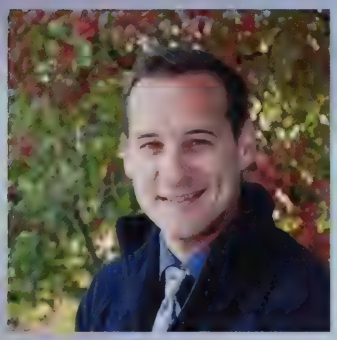
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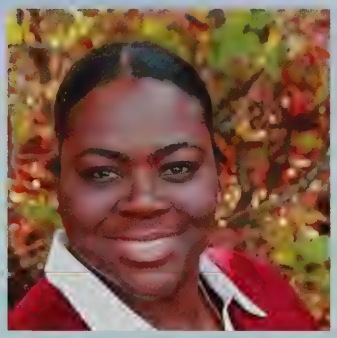

Ashley Jones

Jessica McNamara

Anjanita Mahadoo

Kate Palleschi

Lisa Prostak

Pat Quintiliani

Jane Shanny

Allison Tucker

Kerry Twomey

Rosemary West

Marguerite White

Yearbook Dedication

Mr. G, - You, without a doubt, are our sun in a planetary alignment. From the first person we see in the morning and first person we run to for support, you are amazing. We all see you with an aura of esteem and knowledge. It does not matter that some of us did not have you in sports, you have still been a part of our lives and have fought for us no matter what. For those of us who are in sports, we cannot thank you enough for everything we have learned. We wouldn't have had the opportunities to play on a team and strive for something bigger than us without you. You have heard all our songs on the bus and always are (somewhat) willing to listen to a good joke. We are proud to play for you and to be Woodward girls because of you. Over the years you have given us so much advice from always to cover your glove while catching and the three rules for a screen (wait, wait, and wait) to essential lessons for life, you have been a constant father figure to us all. You are our rock, always there for us no matter how much our voices (mostly Dana's) haunt you. You have been here from our beginning and witnessed all the changes we have seen and helped us through it all. We appreciate your honesty, even when you told us in sixth grade that our lockers looked like war zones or our TV meeting in seventh grade in Ms. Abby's class. On and off the field (and court) you have taught us sportsmanship and how to be a team. We always will come back to you and we love you.

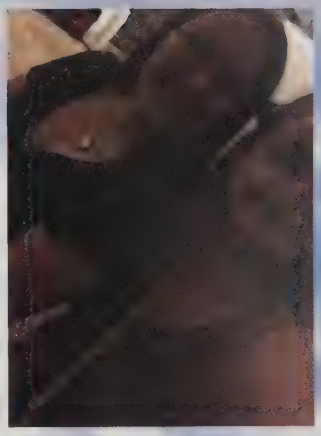
Ms. Twomey, - You are forever our favorite senior. We remember our first day we met you. Ninth grade English was a period of growth for us all. You said that we were so lucky to go to a school like Woodward, but the truth is we were so lucky to have you. We must admit at first, your dance moves and The Birds essay confused us a bit, but now we are for the better and wish we could go back. You are our confidant, our friend, and our most trusted advisor. You always have a solution to a problem and always know if there is something wrong. We appreciate all the help you have given us over the years, helping us to create mission statements, proposals, and strongly worded letters. We couldn't have done the sleepover without you. As a teacher, you are incredible. You teach with grace and the stubbornness of John Adams in the best way possible. You cultivated our brains to "comma quote" and to understand everything from context to motifs and analysis (and the lifelong importance of learning). We are glad you got rid of the Comic Sans in your writing guide and we just want to let you know, it is like our bible. You throw pencils like a champ (when warranted) and you really are, always right. We love you and we will always keep in touch.

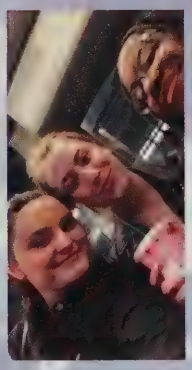
Ms. West, - From the first day of seventh grade as our advisor and Latin teacher you have never failed to be there for us. From pushing us to getting our middle school memory book done to learning our declensions, you have always seen the best in us and pushed us to achieve our goals. No matter what, you have been by our side for our biggest milestones. From going into high school, joining NHS, writing our Founders' Papers, reciting at Founders' Night, getting our licenses, and everything in between, you have guided and celebrated with us through everything. You are always there to shield us from our own self-doubts and support us through any and every crazy idea we have. To all breakfasts and birthday celebrations, we have laughed and cried and laughed some more. You have prepared us for college and beyond and helped us shoot for stars. From root words, we will always be ahead of the game because we will always know superfluous words like pulchritudinous and defenestrate. Ever paper and every note we have given you saying we love is true and there will be never enough paper to describe how grateful we are to have had you. We will always stay in touch and amamus te.

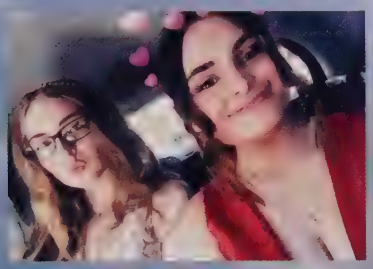
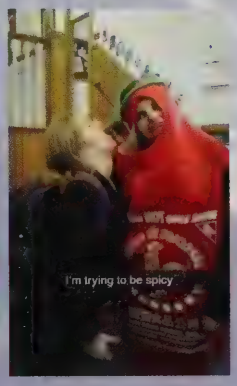
Woodward, - Like us, you have been through a lot of changes in the past 7 years. We cannot thank you enough for everything you have done for us and all the opportunities you have provided for us. From Thanksgiving skits to Blue Hills treks and the last day, we have enjoyed everything we've done together. Growing up in these walls has given us an indescribable bond that we will forever cherish. To every class we've clapped out and seen graduate to all the younger girls we hope will have as amazing of an experience as we did, thank you. All the singing and laughter in the halls has given this school an effervescent and community-oriented feeling. We love the uniqueness of this school and the type of people we have here. To all our teachers and faculty who have grown up with us, we want to thank you. We have so many more people to dedicate this yearbook to because we are eternally appreciative. To Ms. Shanny and Ms. Prostak, our sixth-grade advisors, thank you for everything. To Ms. Ryan, who welcomed us first. To Mr. Leahy, we will always remember Cry Me a River, the Euphrates River, and what a Conestoga Wagon looks like. To Mr. Gallant who has always supported us at our games and returned for us. To Ms. Wingfield and Mr. Clark, we are so grateful. Mr. Fournier, who guided us through life and the biggest Woodward Paper. Ms. Gordon, who has seen it all and helped us with literally everything, we love you. To our first headmaster, Ms. Andrews, who has guided us through the college process. To Mr. Hubley, your jokes and your stories will never be forgotten. To Ms. Jacobs, Ms. G, Ms. Segadelli, Ms. Healy, Ms. Massa, and Mrs. Rugg. To Mr. Noble, thank you for all the laughs. To Ms. Ioli, our senorita and mentor. To Mr. Stiffler, your dance moves were ... interesting. To Ms. Salmy, who taught us to sing really random songs. To Ms. Casey, we love you so much, you have fought for us in every aspect and given us so much knowledge. To our coaches, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Rivera, we love you. To our little sisters, who we are so happy to have been your big sisters. And finally, to the students, our classmates, we love you!

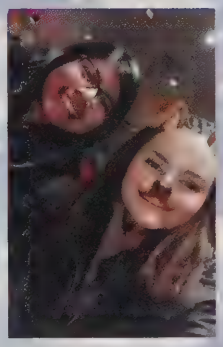
When We Were Young...

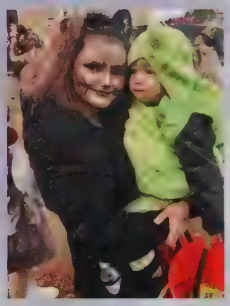
Carlie Abbate

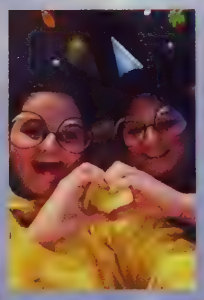


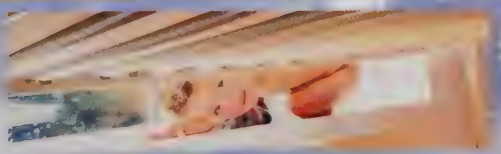


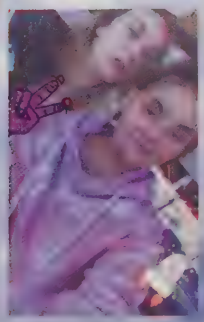









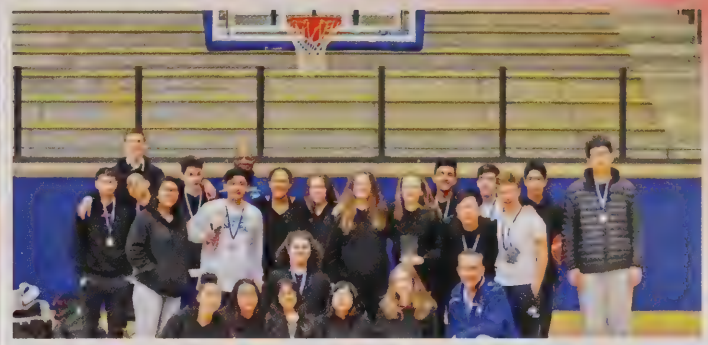


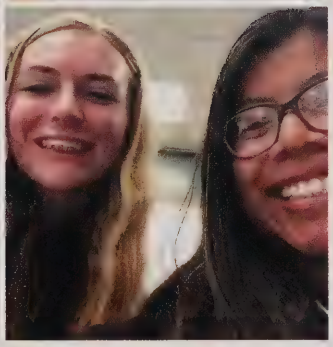


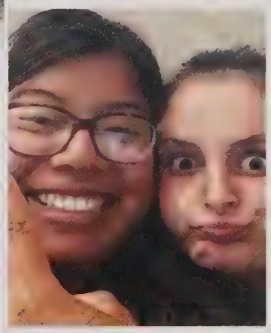
Our task . . . Is not to fix the blame for the past, but to fix the course for the future.

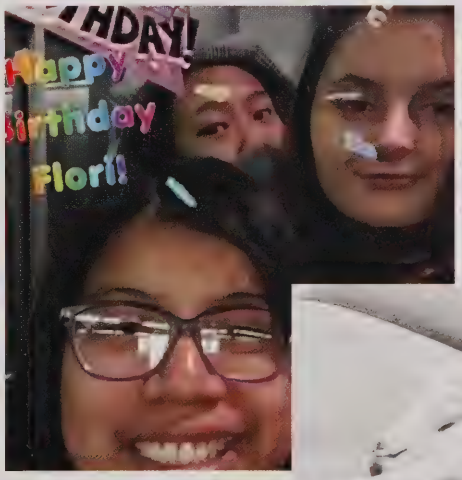
~ John F. Kennedy

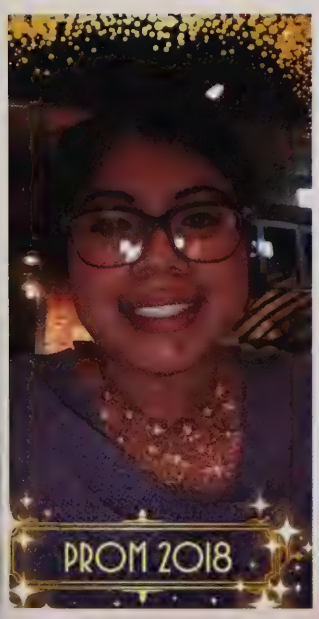
Floridalia Bouma







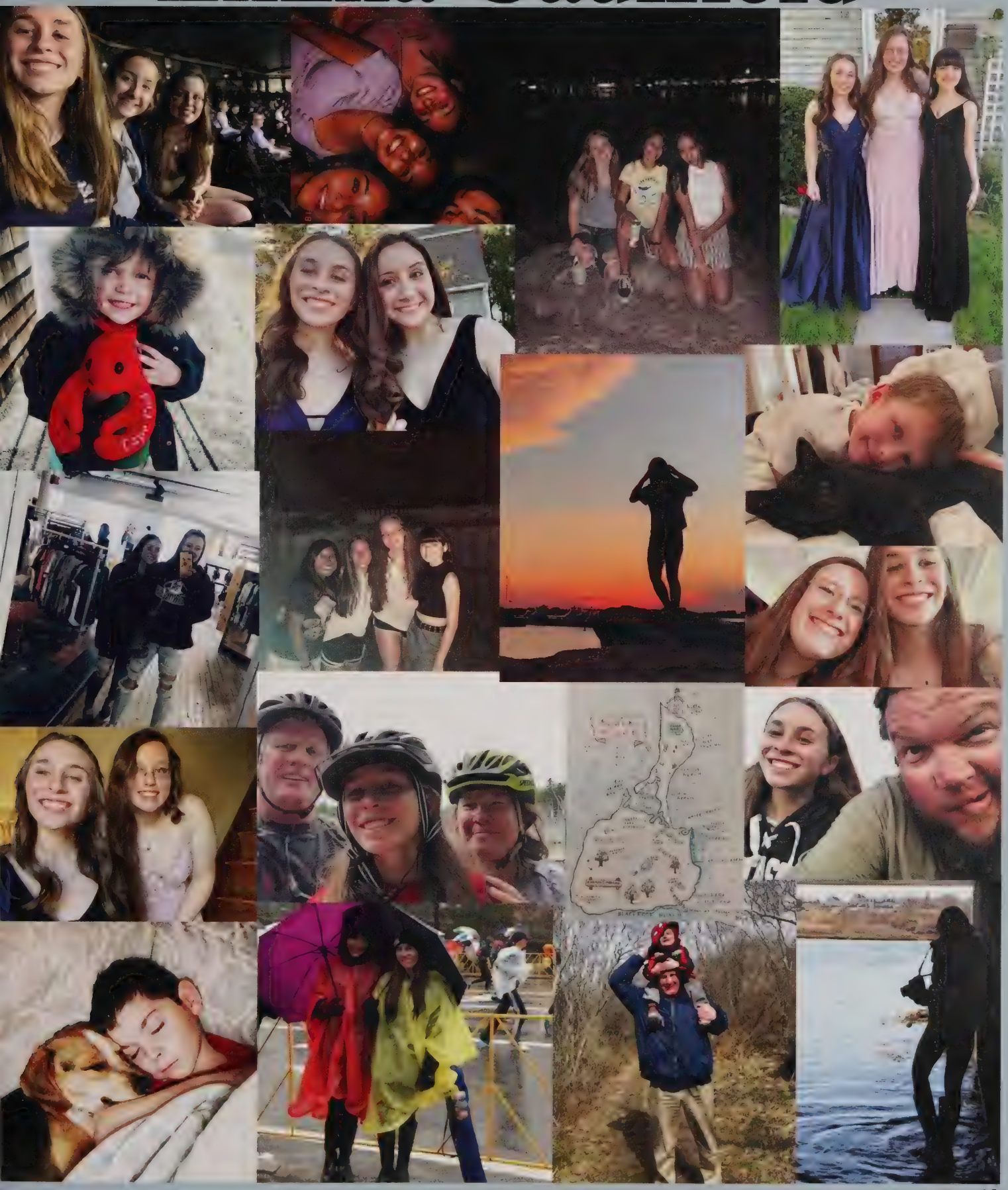




The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

~Eleanor Roosevelt

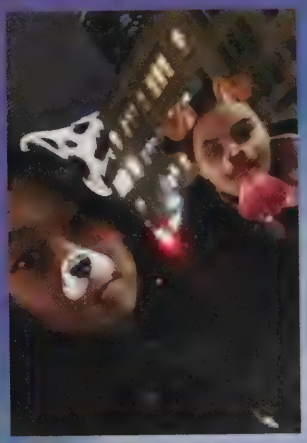
Emma Caulfield

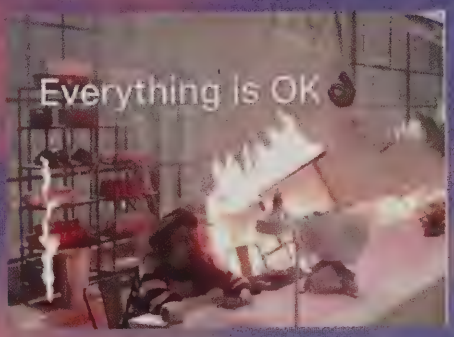


"A reader Lives a thousand Lives before he dies.
The man who never reads Lives Only One."

~ George R.R. Martin

Ho Luen Chan





"Be humble in your confidence
yet courageous in your character."

~ Melanie Koulouris

Carolyn Deal

All Trash Goes Somewhere.

~ *Charles Bukowski*

Dana Galloway

I regret nothing, the end.

Christina McLeod

"You can look at a picture for a week and never think of it again. You can also look at the picture for a second and think of it all your life."

~Joan Miro

Grace O'Sullivan

Jamie Perkins

Yayyy Me!!!

~ London Tipton

Anastasia Roth

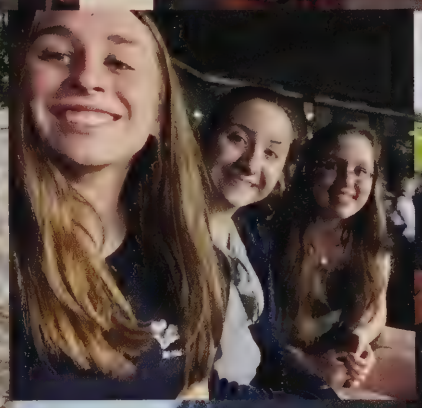
"I feel like god in this Chili's tonight."

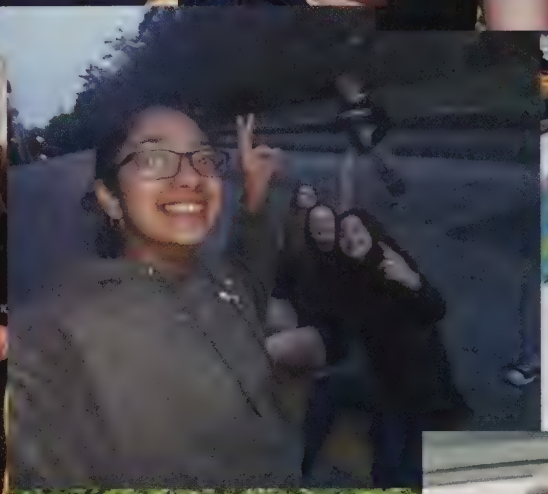
Jody Serani

"The only thing that ever sat its way to success was a hen"

~ *Sarah Brown*

Ashley Vazzana





I'm not great at Senior Quotes.
Can I interest you in a sarcastic comment?

Korena Watson

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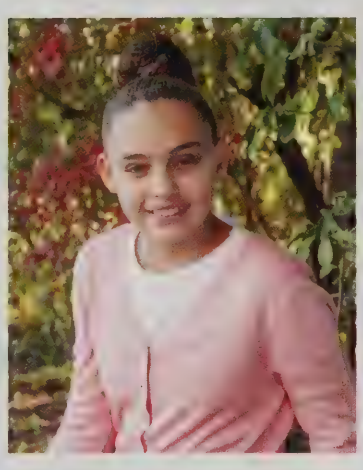
SENIOR

Class of 2026 & 2025

Abigail Cannon



Nijah Cunningham

Leanne Ho

Logan Joseph

Nahima Montauban

Theadora Morad

Adelaide Strandberg

Mia Vickery

Amartya Alstadt

Anvitha Chaturvedula

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Stephanie Dunne

Kendall Joseph

Sam Keady

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Abigail Williams

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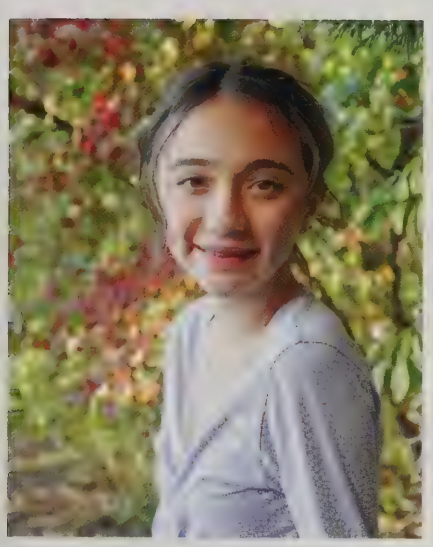
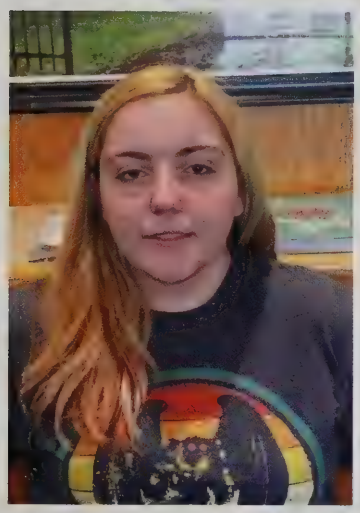


Jackie Andrade

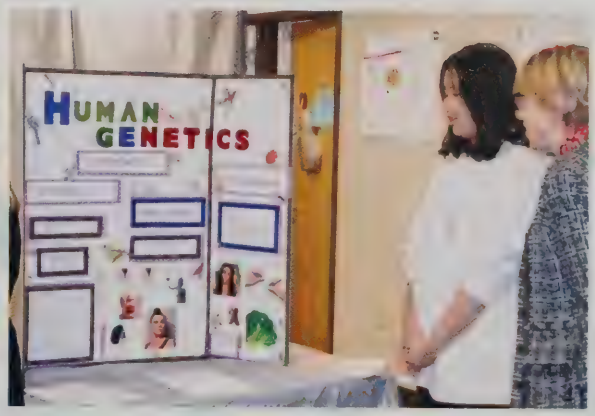
Gwen Bates

Taylor Mendes



Rose Wright

Ruina Yang



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Maya Al-Mesafir

Nytayah Bugg

Kennedy Dolan

Marina Ferreira

Samara Kangethe

Zoe Maher

Katrina Menadue

Woojoo Moon

Grace Rodley

VS
GREEN

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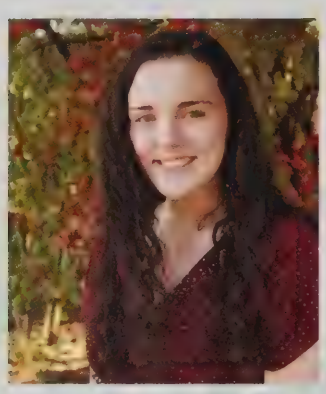

Megan Burns

Jordan Cedrone

Jade Coiscou

Nia Holloman

Arianna LaColla

Tina Ly

Angela Ruan

Arianna Ruhoy

Marley Snyder

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Ke Xu

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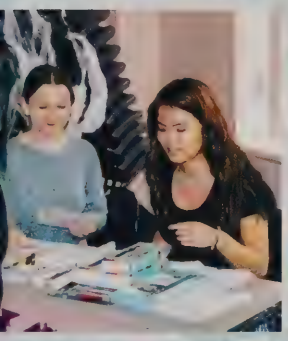
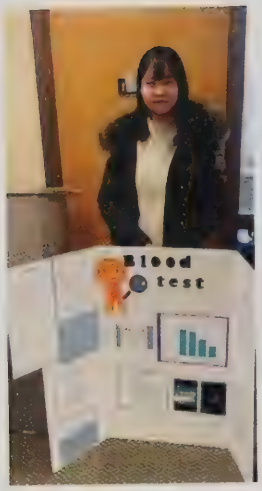
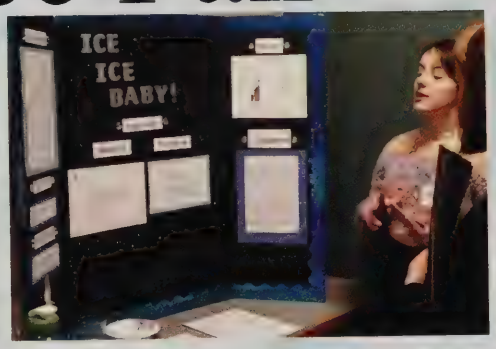
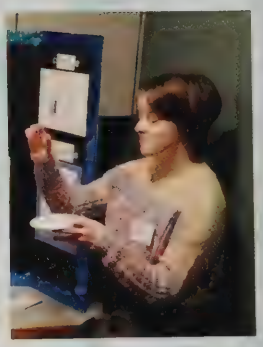
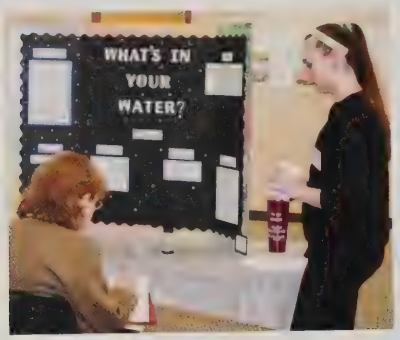


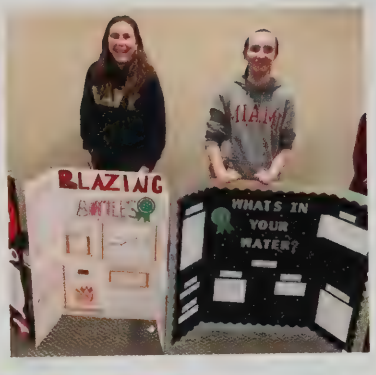
Science Fair

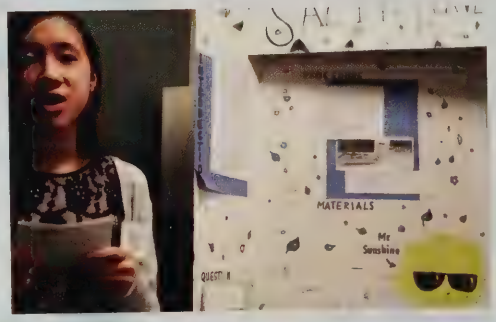


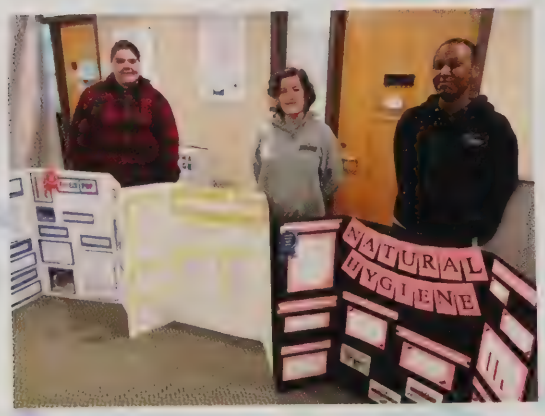


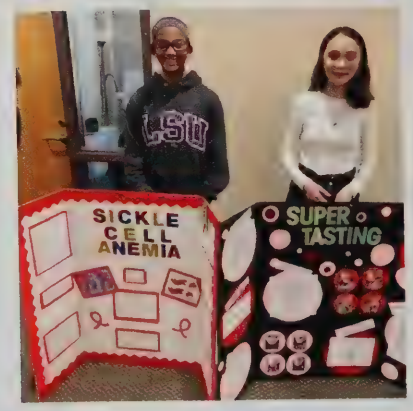


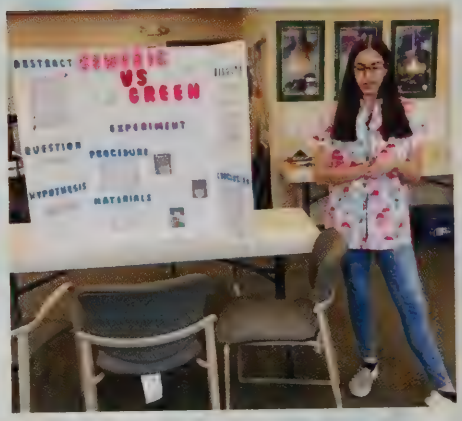


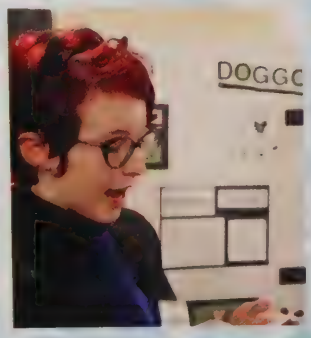


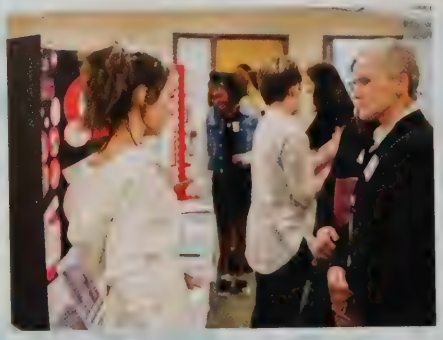


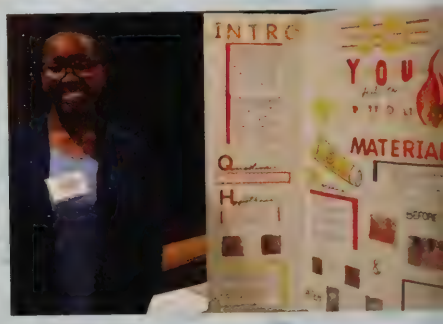




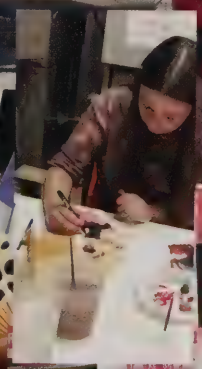








Spain Trip 2020



SENIORS

Blue Hills

Halloween

Thanksgiving

Soccer 2019

Captains:
Flori Bouma '20
Dana Galloway '20
Grace O'Sullivan '20
Carlie Abbate '20

Team
Korena Watson '20
Megan Burns '21
Nia Holloman '21
Nytayah Bugg '22
Kennedy Dolan '22
Samara Kangethe '22
Rory Pemper '24

Coaches:
Coach Barnes
Coach Abby

Basketball 2019

Captains

Flori Bouma '20
Grace O'Sullivan '20
Nia Holloman '21

Team

Megan Burns '21
Kennedy Dolan '22
Taylor Mendes '23
Rory Pemper '24

Softball

Coach Coughlin
Captains
Emma Caulfield '20
Dana Galloway '20
Grace O'Sullivan '20
Team
Flori Bouma '20
Jody Serani '20
Ashley Vazzana '20
Nia Holloman '21
Nytayah Bugg '22
Taylor Mendes '23
Kendall Joseph '24

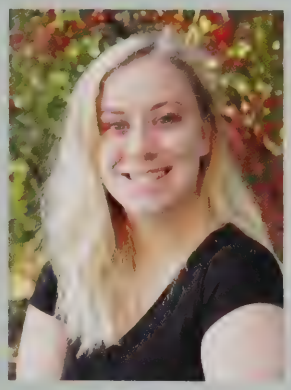
Volleyball

Coach Barnes
Captains
Tina Ly '21
Kennedy Dolan '22
Team
Tiffany Chan '20
Jade Coiscou '21
Megan Burns '21
Marina Ferreira '22
Samara Kangethe '22

Superlatives

Grace O'Sullivan
Most Likely To
Be President

Korena Watson
Best Dressed



Ana Roth
Most Dramatic

Dana Galloway
Most Athletic

Jody Serani
Miss Goth

Ashley Vazzana
The Funniest

Flori Bouma
Class Bookworm

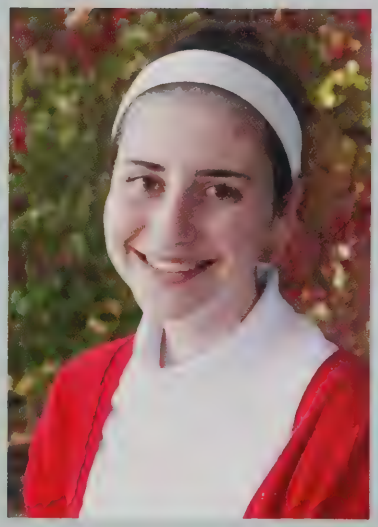
Christina McLeod
Best Hair

Carlie Abbate
Most Friendly

Carolyn Deal
Best Smile

Tiffany Chan
Most Musical

Emma Caulfield
Most Crafty



Jamie Perkins
Best Personality

Class Will

Grade 6 - a better art program
Grade 7 - to have the confidence to achieve their dreams
Grade 8 - a great high school experience
Grade 9 - a new theater
Grade 10 - to be tik toc famous
Grade 11- a thriving theater and sports program as well as to become seniors in the new school
Ms. Twomey - a lifetime supply of Ticonderoga pencils, John Adams books, crocs, and hypoallergenic dogs
Mr. Fournier - more recycling bins, metal straws, and reusable water bottles for all
Mr. Coughlin - season tickets to Red Sox, better sticky paper, Spotify Premium, and a better ESPN + app
Ms.Tucker - a stage and a Tony
Mr.G - coffee, a book of Grace's jokes, an actual office, and for the Class of 2020 to never graduate
Mr.Barnes - an endless supply of pumpkin cold brew, Reese's, more toys for Cat, and a cat named Dog
Ms. McNamara - white board markers that do not go missing
Ms. Iolli - Lindt chocolate, purple markers, and a trip to Italy
Mr. Gallant - a brand new tool box with materials for carpentry
Ms. Quintiliani - play tickets
Ms. White - more art supplies and a teaching assistant
Ms. Palleschi - more fairy lights
Mr. Arranz- a better computer lab
Mrs. West - lots of seltzer water, storage, and a trip to Rome
Mr. Noble - coffee and an assistant
Mrs. Casey - a shorter drive and a new lab
Mrs. Gordon - a working printer
Ms. Sorgi - a full salad bar in the cafeteria
Mrs. Lebo - no more Woodward plague
Ms. Alpert - people who actually know how to use computers
Ms. Jones - a new auditorium
Mrs. Chabot - a new gym
Katelyn - a new camera and a trip to Ireland
Ms. Andrews - for the Class of 2020 to get into college
Ms. Prostak - a new lab with peace and quiet
Ms. Harding - more kids at Woodward
Ms. Landsman - a trip to France

Class Prophecy

Carlie will be a Whole Foods mom

Flori will be a book critic living on a ranch with a bunch of foster pets

Emma will be living on a tropical island and doing interior design

Tiffany will be a psychologist in New York helping people

Carolyn will be an author in Rhode Island writing poetry and fantasy novels

Dana will be an undercover cop in Russia and working for Fifa

Korena will become a famous artist in New York and open an art gallery with Jody

Christina will be rat breeder

Ana will be driving her Tesla to Canada

Grace will amend the constitution and be President by 27

Jody will be an artist in California and be on Hyperallergic

Ashley will be dictator of the world with Kalby as chief of staff

Jamie will be back in Dallas with her pet monkey

Clubs

Animal Welfare / Environmental Club

Black Student Union

Craft Club

Dungeons and Dragons Club

Greenleaf

Interact

National Art Honor Society

National Honor Society

Prism Club

Step Club

Spanish Club

Spanish Honor Society

Congratulations Ashley!
You make us proud
every day, and we know
that you will do
great things!
Never doubt yourself...
~Dad, Jared and Julia

Words to live by from Winnie~the~Pooh

A hug is always the right size.
~ Winnie-the-Pooh

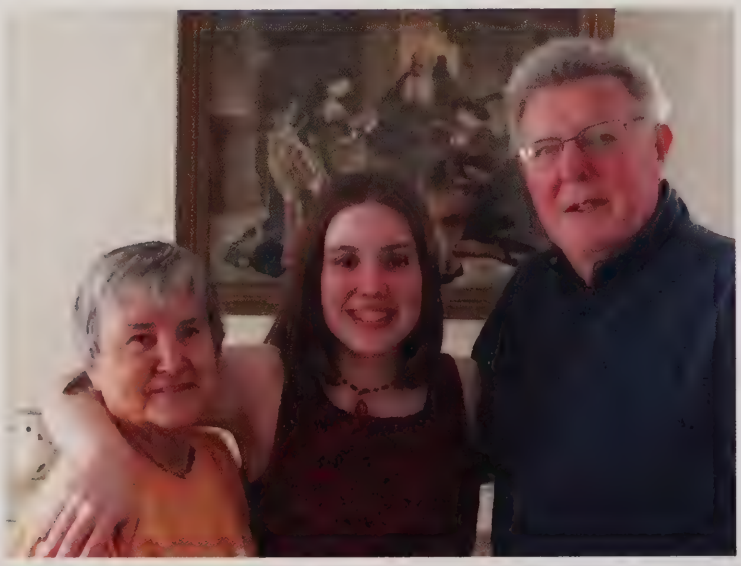
After all, one can't complain. I have my friends. ~ Eeyore

The things that make me different are the things that make me, me. ~ Piglet

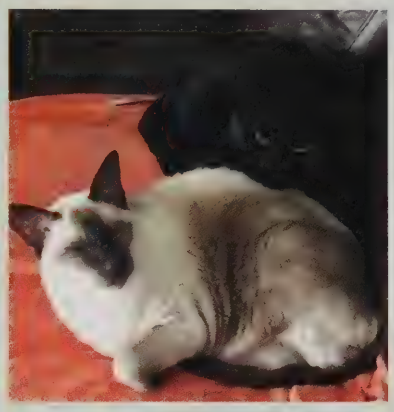
You're braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think. ~ Christopher Robin

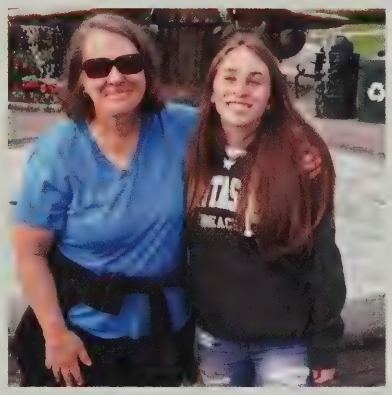
If there ever comes a day when we can't be together, keep me in your heart,
I'll stay there forever.
~ Winnie-the-Pooh

Congratulations Carolyn!
Class of 2020



You Go, Girl!!
Love ~ Papa, Nana & the whole
Dapkas Family





We are so proud of who you are and all that you will be.
Love Grandma & Grandpa, Lars, Binx, Sonny, & Aria

Congratulations Emma!! We're so proud of you!!
Love Charlie & Jane, Eric, Tara, & Lars

Woodward Class of 2020

Always remember, you are…

PoWerful

COmpassionate

TenaciOus

PrepareD

Well-educated

EArnest

InspiRed

DeDicated

Congratulations & Best Wishes

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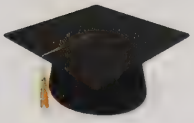
Congratulations Ashley and the Class of 2020!



Ashley the Awesome

has been one of our family's inside jokes that we used throughout the years. We can't tell you enough how much we believe this to be true. Dad and I know how great you will be. As long as you never give up, work hard, let your talents shine through, and show your sense of humor you will go far. We can't believe how fast time has passed. You started Woodward in 7th grade and now you are a graduating senior. You have changed in so many ways and achieved so many successes. We are so very proud of you and we know the best years are yet to come. You are not just a strong student but a truly giving, caring, and sincere young lady. Leave Woodward with lasting memories and friendships that will last a life time. Also, know your family will be there for you all the way. We love you so very much. You have yet to leave your mark.

Love, Mom, Dad, Jules, and Jared

THE WOODWARD SCHOOL
1894

To the Class of 2020

"Make the most of yourself by fanning the tiny, inner sparks of possibility into flames of achievement." - Golda Meir

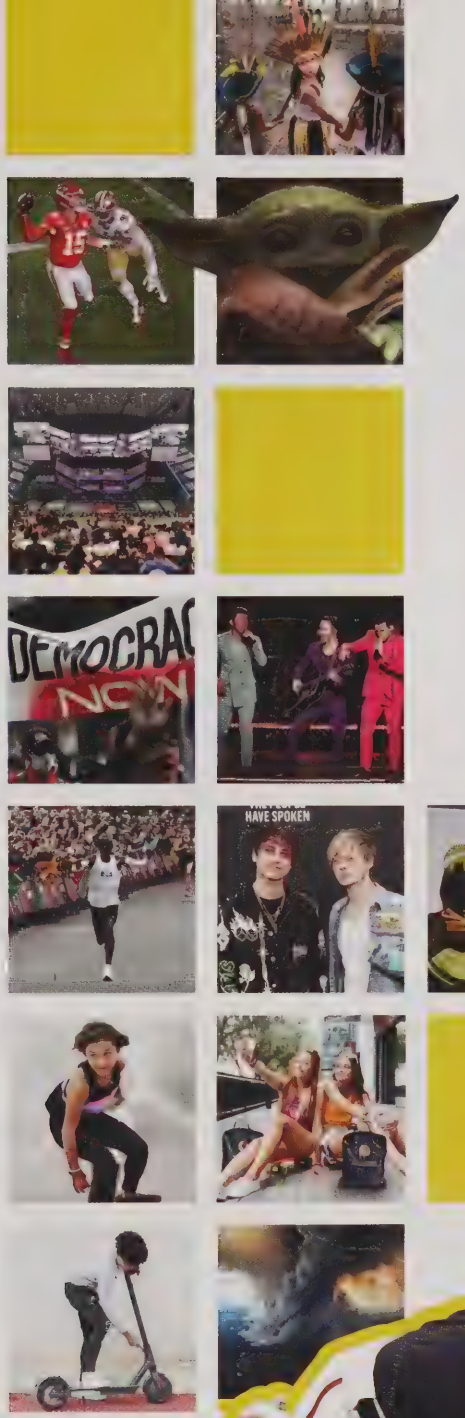
We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished and wish you every success in your future endeavors.

Although we will miss seeing you day-to-day, we look forward to the days ahead when you return to visit.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The Woodward Board of Trustees

Class of 2020



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YEAR in REVIEW

News & Trends

A Continent Fired Up

Smoke billows rise as fires ravage Australia. Wildfires burned over 28 million acres, killing dozens of people and destroying thousands of homes. Over a billion animals, including one-third of the koalas in New South Wales, died in the devastation and the smoke was visible from satellites in space.

Photo credit Australia: Dale Appleton/DELWP via AP

Michael Bennet	Beto O'Rourke
Joe Biden	Deval Patrick
Michael Bloomberg	Bernie Sanders
Cory Booker	Tom Steyer
Pete Buttigieg	Donald Trump
Julian Castro	Joe Walsh
John Delaney	Elizabeth Warren
Tulsi Gabbard	Bill Weld
Kamala Harris	Marianne Williamson
Amy Klobuchar	Andrew Yang

Democrats Republicans

Racing Toward 2020

Presidential candidates campaign full force ahead of state primaries and caucuses. President Donald Trump officially kicked off his re-election campaign, while the Democratic Party saw more than two dozen run. It was the largest and most diverse pool of candidates to date, with record numbers of females and people of color at ages ranging from 37 to 78.

Major party candidates as of November 2019

Family First

Prince Harry and Meghan Markle, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, announce they will step back as senior members of the royal family. The couple spoke publicly of the stress of negative media attention and lack of family privacy following the birth of their son, Archie, even suing a British tabloid. They planned to split their time between the U.K. and North America and move forward financially independent from the Crown in order to begin new charitable endeavors.

*source: Sensor Tower
Top game and music apps: Sept. 2019 worldwide
Top social media app: Aug. 2019
Top app: July 2019 U.S.
Top shopping app: Sept. 2019 U.S.
Photo credits: Newscom

I'm a VSCO girl in a VSCO world

VSCO girl fashion necessitates staples like scrunchies, hydro flasks, Vans shoes, friendship bracelets, coiled hair ties, oversized T-shirts, cowrie shell necklaces, Fjällräven Kånken backpacks, chokers and lip balm. Named for the popular photo app, VSCO girls became a defining teen trend. The name also served as an identity of sorts for those who embraced it.

Photo credits: Shutterstock

Orange Pride

The University of Tennessee mascot wears the shirt that became a national sensation after a story of a young boy bullied for wearing a hand-drawn UT paper on an orange shirt for his school's college day went viral. UT made his design into an official shirt that sold out within minutes, with profits going to an anti-bullying organization. The university offered him a four-year scholarship.

Hong Kong protests

Over 800,000 Hong Kong residents marched in the streets in December during the Civil Human Rights Front Human Rights Day March. The pro-democracy march was the largest to date in the ongoing feud between Hong Kong and mainland China. Protesters called it a last chance for China to meet their demands for human rights.

Modern History

Plans for restoration begin immediately following the fiery blaze that consumed Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris while the world watched in horror. While disagreements ensued over the best plans to restore the 900-year-old cathedral, large and small donors pledged $960 million toward it. The government stated repairs would be completed in five years.

MOST downloaded APPS

Top game app: Mario Kart Tour

Top shopping app: Wish

Top app: FaceApp

Top social media app: TikTok

Top music app: Spotify

Other popular apps: Instagram, YouTube, Snapchat, Likee, Yolo, Sand Balls, Poshmark*

YEAR in REVIEW

Entertainment

Year-end Jonas

The Jonas Brothers arrive back in the spotlight, reuniting after five years apart. Joe Jonas married Sophie Turner, and the Jonas Brothers' #1 hit song "Sucker" featured the Jonas ladies in the music video. Amazon Prime released the Jonas documentary *Chasing Happiness*, Nick Jonas starred in *Jumangi: The Next Level*, they won several awards for their album and were nominated for a Grammy.

Box Office Magic

Frozen II becomes the sixth Disney film of 2019 to reach $1 billion worldwide at the box office, with *Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker* the seventh. *Avengers: Endgame*, which made over $2 billion and was the highest-grossing movie of all time, along with *Toy Story 4*, *Aladdin*, *Captain Marvel* and *Lion King*, helped Disney shatter previous records. By July, Disney had already broken its previous annual record of $7.61 billion set in 2016.

Watch Me

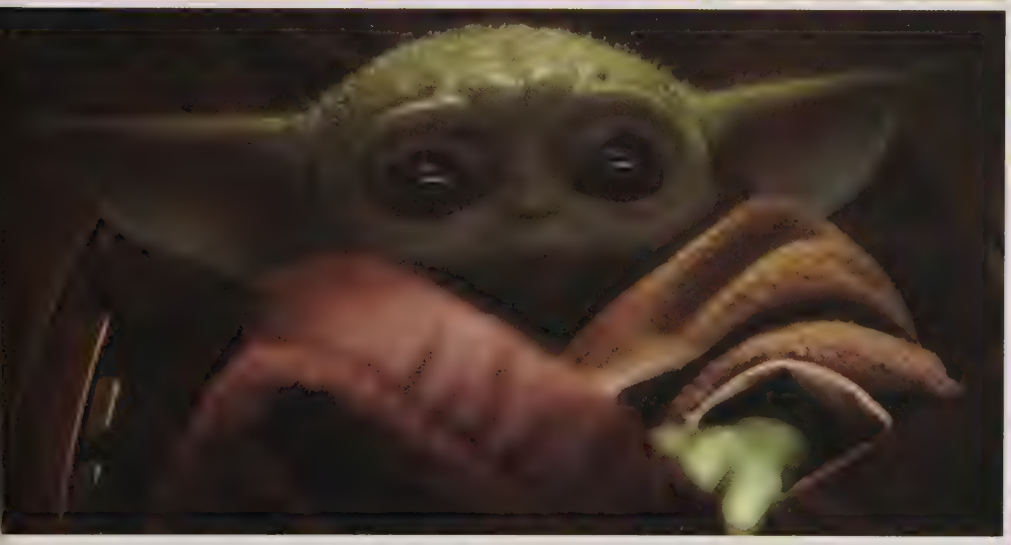
The March sisters charm audiences in Greta Gerwig's new film adaptation of *Little Women*. This year, Hollywood saw *The Joker* and Quentin Tarantino's *Once Upon a Time… in Hollywood* garner attention and acclaim while Marvel movies like *Spider Man: Far from Home* were big at the box office. Streaming services like Netflix flexed their powers with heavyweight stars like Robert De Niro in *The Irishman*, Scarlett Johansson and Adam Driver in *Marriage Story* and Aaron Paul in *El Camino*, a follow-up movie to the series Breaking Bad.

POPULAR social media influencers THIS YEAR

- **Sam and Colby** — Two friends from Kansas become famous on Vine before shifting their comedy videos to YouTube. Their specialty became videos in which they spent the night in abandoned locations, and their videos racked up nearly 400 million views.
- **David Dobrik** — Leader of the popular YouTube group The Vlog Squad, made up of stars who made it big on Vine, Dobrik and The Vlog Squad end the year with more than 14 million YouTube subscribers.
- **Emma Chamberlain** — A new school Generation Z star with 8.5 million subscribers on YouTube, Chamberlain gains her audience by posting candid vlogs about teen life.

The Tale Continues

The Testaments, a long-awaited sequel to *The Handmaid's Tale*, displays in a bookstore window. Goodreads voters chose *Five Feet Apart* by Rachel Lippincott as the best young adult fiction book of 2019. Other popular books were *On the Come Up* by Angie Thomas, who wrote 2017's *The Hate U Give*, and *With the Fire on High*, a novel written in prose by Elizabeth Acevedo.



Streaming Disney

"Baby Yoda" becomes an internet sensation after the release of Star Wars spin-off *The Mandalorian* on Disney's new streaming channel, Disney+. In November, Star Wars, Marvel, Pixar, Disney titles and original content became available exclusively on Disney+. Over 10 million subscribed the first day.

Breakthrough Year

Singer Billie Eilish, 18, makes history as she sweeps all four major categories at the Grammys – Best New Artist, Song of the Year and Record of the Year for "Bad Guy," and Album of the Year. Eilish was the youngest artist to win Album of the Year, the youngest to ever win all four, and is only the second artist to win all four in a single year. Her debut album *When We All Fall Asleep, Where Do We Go?* was one of the best-selling of the year and also won New Artist of the Year and Favorite Alternative Artist awards at the American Music Awards.

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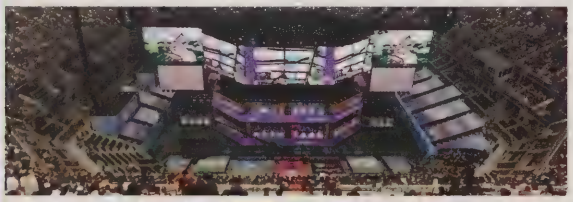
YEAR in REVIEW
Sports

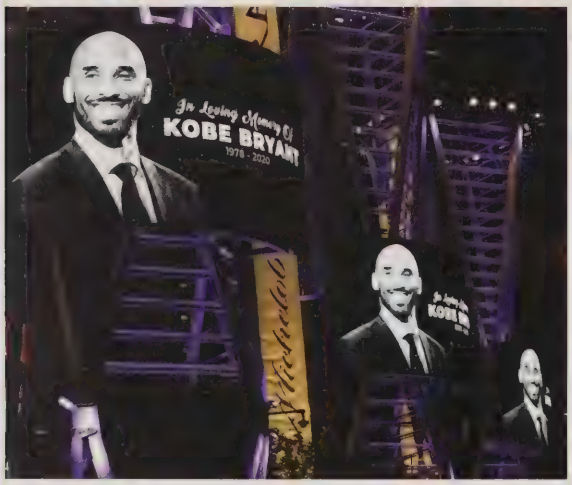
50 Years in the Making

Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes (15) throws a pass while eluding San Francisco 49ers defensive end Arik Armstead (91) during the second half of Super Bowl LIV in Miami on Feb. 2. Mahomes rallied the Chiefs to a 31-20 victory, even after they trailed by 10 points entering the fourth quarter, and was chosen the game's MVP. It was Kansas City's first Super Bowl appearance, and victory, in 50 years.

Center Stage

Thousands turn out to watch the first ever Fortnite World Cup in July at Arthur Ashe Stadium in Flushing, New York. Kyle Giersdorf, a 16-year old from the Philadelphia area, also known by his gamer name "Bugha," won the Solo event in the video game contest, taking home a $3 million prize. An estimated 2.3 million viewers watched the final event online.





A Shocking Loss

A tribute to retired basketball star Kobe Bryant displays outside the Staples Center in Los Angeles. Bryant, a five-time champion with the L.A. Lakers and 18-time NBA All-Star, was one of nine people to die in a helicopter crash on Jan. 26 in Calabasas, California. Bryant's 13-year old daughter, Gianna, was also killed in the crash.

Sky's the Limit

Sky Brown, an 11-year old British skateboarder, trains before a competition in Japan. Brown earned a high seed at the 2020 Olympic qualifying events for skateboarding, one of five new Olympic sports. Brown planned to earn a spot on the British Olympic team in 2020, making her the youngest Olympian in at least a century.

Tigers on top

LSU quarterback Joe Burrow fires a touchdown pass against Clemson during the College Football National Championship Game on Jan. 13. LSU beat Clemson, 42-25, to win the fourth national championship in school history. Burrow, who also won the Heisman Trophy, finished off one of the greatest individual seasons in college football history with 463 yards passing and five touchdowns in the final game.

Sweet Victory

U.S. center Becky Sauerbrunn heads the ball clear against the Netherlands during the finals of the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup in France. The Americans defeated the Netherlands, 2-0, in their second straight World Cup title. Team captain Megan Rapinoe was the leading scorer with six goals and was named Best Player.

Road Warriors

Washington Nationals pitcher Max Scherzer delivers a pitch during Game 7 of the World Series. The Nationals defeated the Houston Astros, winning the decisive game, 6-2. The series was noteworthy since the road team won all seven games for the first time, and it was the Nationals' first World Series victory.

It was a year for crazy, quirky records to fall in sports:

- In October in Vienna, Eliud Kipchoge of Kenya (above) runs a marathon in 1 hour, 59 minutes and 40 seconds. Breaking the two-hour mark for a marathon was previously thought unattainable.
- Nepali mountain climber Nirmal Purja successfully reaches the peak of the world's 14 tallest mountains within seven months. The previous record was more than seven years.
- Aries Susanti Rahayu smashes the women's speed climbing record by scaling a 50-foot wall in 7 seconds. The 24-year old Indonesian became nicknamed "Spider-woman."

WORLD record FALL

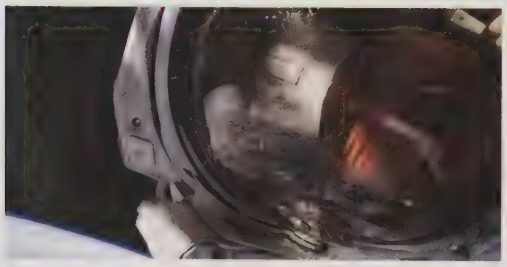
Photo credits: Newscom

YEAR in REVIEW

Science/Tech/Planet

Scoot Along

A rider uses an electric scooter to get around. Companies like Bird and Lime started offering these dockless electric scooters to rent for short periods of time, and they quickly grew in popularity. By the end of 2019, they were available in most major metropolitan centers and could be picked up anywhere using a mobile app.



1,000 Miles Above the Glass Ceiling

Flight Engineer Christina Koch takes a selfie on the International Space Station's first all-female spacewalk. She and fellow astronaut Jessica Meir successfully replaced a failed power controller on Oct. 18. The history-making spacewalk was rescheduled from March due to a lack of properly fitting spacesuits.

"The Eyes of All Future Generations are Upon You"

Environmental activist Greta Thunberg delivers an impassioned speech at the Climate Action Summit of the United Nations General Assembly in September. The 16-year-old gained international attention for organizing global climate strikes demanding action on climate change, which four million people attended. She was named *TIME*® Magazine's Person of the Year and nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Burn Out

Members of the indigenous Huni Kuni tribe in Brazil take in the damage to their burnt land. The Amazon rainforest fires caused global concerns and raged for months. Research showed that the number of active fires in August 2019 was almost three times as high as August 2018.

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